

Skill Sheet 9-I-14

Objective 35: Force entry through a metal wall with power tools. (NFPA® 1001, 5.3.4)

Student Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Directions

For this skills evaluation checklist, students will force entry through a wall made of metal. Using power tools, students will cut an inspection hole, locate a wall stud, and remove enough material that a firefighter may pass through. Consideration should be given to structural integrity and utility location. When forcing entry into a fire building, firefighters must wear SCBA. Therefore, it is recommended that students wear SCBA for this training exercise.

Equipment & Materials

- Protective clothing and SCBA
- Wall prop
- Rotary saw with metal cutting blade

Criteria & Evaluation Comments

Criteria (determined by the AHJ)

After the candidate has completed the skill sheet, write comments below.

Evaluator/Candidate Comments

Pass

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Fail

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Evaluator Signature

Date

Student Signature

Date

Skills Evaluation Checklist

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Task Steps		Yes	No
1.	Confirm order with officer to force entry through wall.		
2.	Size up the situation. a. No other existing entry points available b. Wall construction evaluated c. Locations of utilities considered		
3.	Confirm with Command that utilities are off.		
4.	Cut an inspection hole (small triangle).		
5.	Locate studs (wall screws indicate) and cut hole near stud.		
6.	Cutting a triangle, increase size of hole to allow the passage of firefighter.		
7.	Remove wall material and insulation and place out of traffic area.		
8.	Using tool, push inward and remove interior wall covering if needed.		